



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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**Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of
Arizona; Payson PM₁₀ Air Quality Planning Area**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Clean Air Act (CAA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve a revision to the Payson portion of the Arizona State Implementation Plan submitted by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality on January 23, 2012. This revision consists of the second ten-year maintenance plan for the Payson air quality planning area for the national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for particulate matter less than 10 microns in diameter (PM₁₀). EPA is proposing to approve this plan based on the conclusion that the plan adequately provides for continued maintenance of the PM₁₀ NAAQS in the Payson area through 2022. EPA is proposing this action pursuant to those provisions of the CAA that obligate the Agency to take action on submittals of revisions to SIPs. The effect of this action would be to make the State's continuing commitments with respect to maintenance of the PM₁₀ NAAQS in the Payson area federally enforceable for another ten years.

DATES: Any comments on this proposal must arrive by [Insert date 30 days from date of publication in the Federal Register].

ADDRESSES: Submit comments, identified by docket number **EPA-R09-OAR-2013-0657**, by one of the following methods:

1. Federal eRulemaking Portal: www.regulations.gov. Follow the on-line instructions.
2. E-mail: steckel.andrew@epa.gov.
3. Mail or deliver: Andrew Steckel (Air-4), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-3901.

Instructions: All comments will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Information that you consider CBI or otherwise protected should be clearly identified as such and should not be submitted through www.regulations.gov or e-mail. www.regulations.gov is an "anonymous access" system, and EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send e-mail directly to EPA, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the public comment. If EPA

cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses.

Docket: Generally, documents in the docket for this action are available electronically at www.regulations.gov and in hard copy at EPA Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105-3901. While all documents in the docket are listed at www.regulations.gov, some information may be publicly available only at the hard copy location (e.g., copyrighted material, large maps), and some may not be publicly available in either location (e.g., CBI). To inspect the hard copy materials, please schedule an appointment during normal business hours with the contact listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Levin, EPA Region IX, (415) 942-3848, levin.nancy@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This proposal addresses the *Final Update of the Limited Maintenance Plan for the Payson PM₁₀ Maintenance Area* (December 2011) ("Second Ten-Year Limited Maintenance Plan") submitted as a revision to the Arizona State Implementation Plan (SIP) on January 23, 2012 by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality. In the Rules and

Regulations section of this Federal Register, we are approving the Second Ten-Year Limited Maintenance Plan for the Payson area in a direct final action without prior proposal because we believe this SIP revision is not controversial. If we receive adverse comments, however, we will publish a timely withdrawal of the direct final rule and address the comments in subsequent action based on this proposed rule. Please note that if we receive adverse comment on an amendment, paragraph, or section of this rule and if that provision may be severed from the remainder of the rule, we may adopt as final those provisions of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment.

We do not plan to open a second comment period, so anyone interested in commenting should do so at this time. If we do not receive adverse comments, no further activity is planned. For further information, please see the direct final action.

Dated: March 5, 2014.

Jared Blumenfeld,
Regional Administrator,
Region IX.